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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: PARATROOP MUTINY: SITREP NO. TWENTY THREE

1. SANTAREM TANKS ON THE MOVE: AT 11:00 A.M. RETIRED USAF OFFICER INFORMED DATT THAT HE HAD OBSERVED 8 M-47 TANKS WITH ASSOCIATED FUELING EQUIPMENT STOPPED 12 KMS NORTH OF LISBON AIRPORT ON SUPER HIGHWAY. TANKS ARE FROM LOYAL SANTAREM CAVALRY UNIT. ARMA WAS INFORMED LAST WEEK THAT SANTAREM CAVALRY UNIT HAS MISSION TO TAKE OUT RADICALIZED RALIS LIGHT ARTILLERY REGIMENT LOCATED ACROSS THE ROAD FROM LISBON AIRPORT.

2. RALIS IS IN DEFENSIVE POSTURE WITH ALL OF ITS EQUIPMENT, INCLUDING SELF PROPELLED ARTILLERY, QUAD 50'S, AND RECOILLESS RIFLES INSIDE THE GARRISON WALLS. THERE IS AN AIR OF EXPECTATION AROUND RALIS WITH ALL EYES TURNED NORTH, INCLUDING A LARGE NUMBER OF CIVILAINS WHO HAVE ERECTED A WEAK BARRICADE ON THE SUPER HIGHWAY COMING INTO LISBON.

3. WE HAVE JUST LEARNED (11:45 A.M.) THAT TANKS ARE NOW ON MOVE AGAIN.

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